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**STATE TEMPERANCE CONVENTIONS.**

The several Temperance organizations, the Temperance workers, and all the friends of Temperance in Maine, are invited to meet in **Maine** at the

**GRANITE HALL, AUGUSTA,**

**-OR-**

**Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 22 & 23,**

The Temperance cause was never more prosperous in the State than now, for which we should be most profoundly grateful. Still there are important subjects which will demand our attention. Shall we ask for any change or amendments in the Prohibitory Law? Shall we protest against the granting licenses to so intoxicating a beverage as the druggists? Shall we ask for any more stringent penalties to be inflicted upon persons found intoxicated? These, and other important questions will doubtless demand the attention of the convention.

Let there be a generally. The usual reduction of fare on the railroad will be expected.

W. B. RAYDALE, Berwick.

JOSEPH E. ALBRIGHT, Augusta,  
L. R. KING, Chatham.  
EDWARD HILLS, Thomaston,  
JOHN S. KIMBALL, Bangor,  
EDMOND E. PRATT, Seaside.  
FRANK KEENE, Fairfield,  
WM. J. CORTELLI, Calais,  
E. J. JONES, South Chatham,  
JORDAN RAND, Lisbon,  
E. W. STETSON, Dennismarsh,  
HENRY FALLS, Bath,  
OWEN S. CHADBOURNE, Saco,  
R. C. FAIRBROTTON, Breyberg,  
J. S. WHEELWRIGHT, Bangor.  
State Temperance Committee.

Democrats were in a hopeless minority. It mattered little if the whole of them went out to take a drink while a vote was pending. Nor was the habit very harmful, in any party point of view, in the last House. Perhaps the Democrats were sobered by their unexpected success—though that is not probable. Anyhow where there was a majority of seventy, at least fifty could saunter out and take a snifter without endangering Der-

changed all that, and the majority is now a negro that bitters seriously interfere with business. Once or twice the Republicans have secured the House while their opponents were dallying with the wine-cup.

The Democratic leaders never seem to have fully realized the evils of strong drink until the failure to defeat the army bill at the extra session. Then they took alarm and hastily called a conference to devise ways

dealt with the liquor curse—not that the law was moved round less but other cussedness more. The conference was held and the Speaker instructed to enforce the rule prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors at the House restaurant. This supposed remedy however only magnified the disease. The offending members tried in vain to control their thirst. The old appetite would—perhaps while the vote was taken—come to them in a strange sudden sort of way and they would help themselves.

The nearest bar-room, leaving the Republic in its scoffing and triumphant. The Sergeant-major of the U. S. Army was appealed to, but could do nothing. He said, he said, unless his force was greatly increased and a large sum expended for wheeled barrows. As it was found the wheelbarrows could not be reckoned in with the stationery, this request was not complied with.

Success in the coming Fall campaign was assumed, failed Thursday because of absenteeism, they resolved upon immediate action. A caucus was called and the evil and its remedy discussed at great length. Many proposals and resolutions were made, but none proved entirely satisfactory. It was at first thought best to depend for Murphy, but on reflection fear came upon the caucus that the reform might improve too thorough and the offenders

New England representative suggested that the members carry bottles of juice under their desks and take a pull when they felt dry. This plan had been thoroughly tested in his section and worked well. But there was fierce opposition to this in the caucus. An Ohio member swore that he always took his corn-juice perpendicular, and by the Lord Harry he was going to scooch when he wanted a snifter.

A Kentucky man said he invariably took sugar in his. A chivalric representative from Virginia, beaming with Southern hospitality, remarked that it was a rule of his life never to drink alone, and a South Carolinian rose and protested that he should not dare to face his constituents sah, if he declined to likk. The proposition when asked by a gentleman. The proposition was defeated as being too sectional in its character, there being but five votes in its favor. Many other proposals were made.

Finally, after long and at times angry discussion the following plan was hit upon as a temporary expedient: The Democratic members were divided into squads of six, and it was ordered that but one squad should go out at a time, that they should always be

portunity in the House. The plan was at first received with general enthusiasm; but a little reckoning soon convinced some of the members that it would be a long while between drinks. Opposition was quieted however, by the announcement that this arrangement should only be in force until the House could be "purified", that is until enough Republicans were unseated and enough Democrats put in their places to permit a large increase

in the frequency of drinks. With this understanding the caucus adjourned. It is estimated that the committee have already decided to unseat Pacheco of California and Field of Massachusetts. These changes will mean the admission of Patterson of Colorado making a gain of three—and the good work is scarcely begun.

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**MR. VOORHEES** has not improved in reputation since he was last in Congress. He was

His threat against property is worthy of the French socialist. The speech was in effect a declaration that the silver men intend to destroy the banking system, indefinitely postpone resumption and inflate the greenback currency.

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The President is said to favor the idea that Cabinet officers shall have seats on the floor of the House, with the right to speak.

It is affirmed that he will recommend the project in a special message.

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THE Turkish government has officially warned the people not to speak of Russia as the Bear of the North, because such language is disrespectful. The prohibition is hailed in Constantinople as a sign of peace.

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MR. MARTIN, the Democratic Senator from Kuox, stands alone in the Senate in

Mr. PILLSBURY does not care to lead the Democracy of Maine another year. The failure of the last campaign has shaken even his confidence in himself.

viennese Boor" because of his violent or verbal sulphur. It certainly did in the case of the manuscript of the eminent divine who inspired this



**STATE OF MAINE.**  
 IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 5, 1878.  
 ORDERED, That all petitions or orders of legislation, from those for redress of wrongs and grievances which may be presented to the Legislature after TWENTY-NINTH, January, the first day of the month of February, the year next, be referred to the next Legislature, and that any order published in the Daily Kennebec Journal, Portland Daily Press, Eastern Argus, Bangor Argus, Bangor Daily Advertiser, Lewiston Journal, Journal and Bath Daily Times, until said day of February, shall be considered as not presented, and this order shall not be suspended or altered except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.  
 Read and passed. Sent up for concurrence, ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.  
 IN SENATE, January 5, 1878.  
 Read and passed in concurrence, SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.  
 A true copy as passed in concurrence.  
 Attest:  
 JUDITH SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.

**Sleighs and Pung**  
 ONE AND TWO SEATED  
 —AT—  
 LESS THAN AUCTION PRICE  
 —ALSO—  
 Two Chaise Top Sleighs.  
**JOHN RUSSELL**  
 511 1-2 & 513 Congress  
 ST.  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
 1878.

25th Semi-Annual Statement

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# TRINITY LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

Hartford, Conn., January 1, 1897

ASSETS.

Real Estate.....	8
Cash on hand and in bank.....	81
Loans on bond and mortgage.....	1,000
Life.....	2,590
Appraised value of the same.....	\$7,179,212 36
Interest due and accrued on bonds.....	10
Loans on collateral security.....	10
Deferred Life premiums.....	10
Premiums due and unreported on Life.....	41
Unpaid claims.....	270
United States Government Bonds.....	270
Stocks.....	51
Railroad stocks and Bonds.....	51
Bank and Insurance Stocks.....	51
<b>Total Assets.....</b>	<b>\$4,913,905.36</b>

LIABILITIES.

Reserve, four per cent. Life Department.....	\$2,790
Reserve for re-insurance, accident de- partment.....	10
Claims unpaid and not due, and all other liabilities.....	15
<b>Total Liabilities.....</b>	<b>\$3,103.56</b>

Surplus as regards policy-holders **\$1,810.36**

Statistics for the year 1897.

DEPARTMENT.

Number of Life Policies written in 1897.....	1,810
Whole number of Life Policies written in 1897.....	1,810
Amount Life Insurance in force.....	\$18,720
Total Claims in Life Policies in force.....	10

ACCIDENT DEPARTMENT.

Number of Accident Policies written in 1897.....	1,810
Cash Premiums received for same.....	\$710
Whole number of Accident Policies written.....	1,810
Amount Accident Insurance in force.....	\$18,720
Amount Accident Claims paid in 1897.....	\$5,750
Whole amount Accident Claims paid.....	\$5,750
Total Losses paid, both Departments.....	\$3,812

JAS. G. BATTISTON, President,  
RODNEY DENNIS, Secretary,  
JAMES F. MOORE, Assistant Secy.

**ANDREW J. CHAS.**  
**GENERAL AGENT**  
**311-2 Exchange Street**  
 Jan 3 **PORTLAND.**

**OYSTER**

**Timmons & Haw**  
 Stores 119 Commercial Street, and  
 and 16 Market Square,

Will receive weekly during the winter car-  
 fresh Oysters direct from Virginia, which they  
 sell by the barrel, bushel, gallon or quart,  
 lowest market rates.

Also constantly on hand New York, Bro.  
 and Providence River Oysters, for sale in  
 desired quantity. All orders by mail pre-  
 filled.

**WOODBURY & MOULTON**  
 Cor. Middle & Exchange Sts.  
 OFFER FOR SALE  
 Cincinnati Municipal Bonds,  
 Cleveland

**Municipal Bonds,**  
**Columbus**  
**Municipal Bonds.**

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A Large Assortment of  
**Standard French and English**  
**Perfumes and Toilet Soap**  
**F. T. Meaher & Co., Apothecaries**  
0019 **Cor. Freble and Congress Sts.**

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**City of Lewistown**  
**MUNICIPAL**  
**FIVE Per Cent. WATER LOAN BONDS**

Few cities in New England stands as well  
 as Lewiston, and these bonds are com-  
 mended as a very choice security adapted  
 TRUST purposes.  
 FOR SALE BY  
**SWAN & BARRETT**  
 372 300 MIDDLE STREET, and  
 H. M. Payson & C  
 32 EXCHANGE STREET  
 — DEALER IN —  
**GOVERNMENT BONDS**  
 City Bonds,  
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 Highest prices paid for  
 "CALLED" U. S. 5-20 BONDS  
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## RAILROADS

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# Maine Central

## RAILROAD.

MONDAY, DEC. 3, 1877.

**Passenger Trains leave Portland for Bangor, Dexter, Belfast and Waterville at 12:05 and 1:45 p.m.**  
**For Bangor, Waterville, Lewiston, and Brunswick at 7:00 a.m., 12:40, 5:20 and 11:45 p.m.**  
**For Rockland and all stations on Knox & Lincoln at 7:00 a.m., 12:40 and 5:20 p.m.**  
**For Brunswick at 7:00 a.m., 12:40 and 5:20 p.m.**  
**For Farmington, Hallowell, Winthrop, Waterville and Waterville and Waterville at 12:35 p.m.**

**For Lewiston and Auburn.**  
**Passenger Trains leave at 12:25 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. The train leaving at 11:45 p.m. also has a sleeper car attached.**

Junction with a Mixed Train for **New London, Ansonia, Windham and Bristol.** The 11:45 p. m. train is the Night Express Train with Pullman Sleeping Car attached, which makes close connection at Bangor for all stations on the Bangor & Portland Railroad, to Bangor, to Lewiston, to Keegan, to Woodstock, to Andrews, to New Sweden, to Maine and Halifax.  
 Following the morning trains from Augusta, Gardiner, Bangor, Keegan, Woodstock, to Andrews, to New Sweden, to Maine and Halifax, the day trains from Bangor, Dexter, Belfast, Bangor, Keegan, Woodstock, to Andrews, and all intermediate stations at 2.55 and 3.00 p. m., the 5.00 p. m. train from Bangor, to Keegan, to Woodstock, to Andrews, to New Sweden, to Maine and Halifax. The Night Pullman Express from Portland, Dec. 3, 1871.  
 PAYSON TUCKER, Sup't.  
 J. M. LUST, Agent.

**WEST**  
 VIA  
**PORTLAND & MAINE RAILROAD**  
 —AND—  
**HOOSAC TUNNEL ROUTE,**  
 Five Hours Quicker and Twenty-Five Miles Shorter  
 Than the Old Route.  
 Only One Change of Cars between Portland and Chicago.

Trains leaves P. & M. R. R. Depot, Portland at 12.30 p. m., and at other places along the route. Tickets and information can be obtained at all stations, or at the Ticket Office, Exchange Street, Portland.  
 J. M. LUST,  
 Ticket Agent.

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 BOSTON & MAINE RAILROAD  
 Fall Arrangement.

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p. m., from all stations on through line.  
J. HAMILTON, Supdt.  
Portland, Oct. 8, 1877.

# Eastern Railroad,

OCTOBER 8, 1877

PASSENGER TRAINS leave Portland  
for Scarborough, Saco, Brunswick, Ken-  
nebunk, Newry, York, Berwick, Ellis-  
ton, Biddeford, Kennebunk, Newburyport,  
Salmon Falls, Chebeague and Boston at  
8.45 a. m.  
Biddeford, Kennebunk, Kittery,  
Portsmouth, Hampden, Newburyport,  
Salmon Falls, Chebeague and Boston at  
9.15 p. m.  
Biddeford accommodating train.  
Returning, leave Biddeford at 8.00 a. m.  
Boston at 2.15 p. m. Sleeping car for  
Mondays.

## RETURNING.

Leave Boston at 7.30 a. m., 12.30 and 7.00  
p. m., connecting with Maine Central  
and Grand Trunk R. Railway for St. John  
and Halifax. Pullman Sleeping Car attached  
on Through Tickets to All Points South and West as  
per rates. Pullman Car Tickets for Seats and  
Berths or Ticket Only.  
A. F. ROCKWELL, President.

# Grand Trunk R. R. Co. of Canada,

ON and after MONDAY, Oct. 8, 1877,  
Trains will run as follows:  
1.00 p. m. for Auburn and Lewiston.  
1.40 p. m. for Gorham, (Mexico).  
2.40 p. m. for Island Pond, Quebec and Montreal,  
and 3.40 p. m. for St. John's, N. B.

**ARRIVALS.**  
3.30 a. m. from Lewiston and Auburn.  
7.30 a. m. from Lewiston (200).  
1.20 p. m. from Montreal, Quebec and West.  
1.50 p. m. from Lewiston and Auburn.  
5.15 p. m. from Lewiston, Auburn and South Paris.  
5.30 p. m. from Lewiston and Auburn.

**Passenger Fares**  
**74 EXCHANGE ST.**  
—AND—  
**DEPOT AT FOOT OF INDIA ST.**

**Tickets sold at Reduced Rates**  
to Canada, Detroit, Chicago, Omaha,  
Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Kansas  
City, St. Paul, St. Paul Lake City,  
Denver, St. Francis, St. Paul,  
and all points in the Northwest, West and Southwest.

THE GRAND PRINCE RAILWAY is in splendid  
condition, is well equipped with first-class rolling  
stock and making the best connections with all  
of its route from Portland to the West.  
PORTLAND TO ST. LOUIS, CHICAGO,  
DETROIT SLEEPING CARS are attached to the trains  
and the baggage checked from Portland to  
St. Louis, and not subject to Custom House examina-  
tion.

The Company are not responsible for baggage to  
be carried in the baggage cars, and for loss of  
baggage unless noted, and paid for at the rate of  
passage.

JOSEPH HICKSON, General Manager.  
W. J. BYRON, Superintendant.

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**Administrator's Sale.**  
Pursuant to a decree from the Hon. Judge of  
Probate for the county of Cumberland, I shall  
at public auction on the sixth (6) day of February  
1875, at 12 o'clock, P. M., sell the following real  
estate of Almer Lybie Gray, (if not previously  
disposed of), to-wit:—A certain lot of land, situate,  
lying and being in the town of Windham, in said  
county, containing 10 acres, more or less, and  
being real estate, viz:—A certain lot of land situate  
in the town of Windham, in said county, and  
deceased by Almer Lybie Gray, the same conveyed  
to him by deed, bearing date the 12th day of Nov-  
ember, 1864, and recorded in Cumberland Registry  
of Deeds, Book 44, page 100, and the same being  
due for redemption and bonds of said land,  
and the same being subject to the mortgage of Almer  
by Gray.

CHARLOTTE M. COBB,  
Administrator.

Findham, Jan. 2, 1878. wdw1